House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exceptional citizens in their local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Thora L. Shaw of Webb City has attained considerable distinction in a life which has spanned eighty years thus far; and

Whereas, a widow whose love for her husband, Rollin L. Shaw, did not diminish a single iota with his death, Thora Shaw is justifiably proud to be known as the beloved mother of Pat, Martha, and Gary; and

Whereas, Thora Shaw has also been blessed with the love and affection of four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Thora Shaw has served as a Christian counselor for more than fifty years, an interest which led to her highly-respected activities as the Jasper County Jail Chaplain known as "Mama Shaw" for the past twenty-eight years and as Chairperson of the Jasper County Jail Inspection Committee; and

Whereas, recognized by numerous area organizations and groups for her community service, Thora Shaw has had a positive impact in the lives of literally a thousand of her neighbors who reside in the four-state area of Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Kansas:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive life enjoyed by Thora Shaw, to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations for the special honors and accolades she will receive in March 2004 for her many years of volunteer service to her church and community, and to express our best wishes for many more years of achievement to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Thora L. Shaw of Webb City, Missouri.

Offered by
Representative Ronald F. Richard
District No. 129
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of
Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second
Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and
correct copy of House Resolution No, adopted
, 2004.
Catherine I Hanaway Speaker